

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS : Clancy *et al.*

APPLICATION NUMBER: 10/695,111

EXAMINER : Virginia Allen Portner

FILING DATE : October 28, 2003

ART UNIT : 1645

FOR : METHODS FOR PREDICTING AND/OR DIAGNOSING THE
RISK OF GASTRIC CANCER

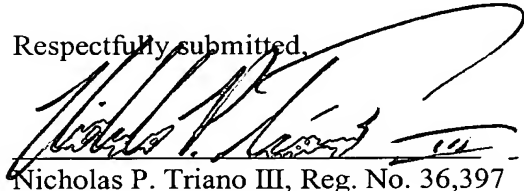
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to respond to the March 16, 2005 Non-Final Office Action in the above-identified application. With the extension, the response is due on or before September 16, 2005. A check in the amount of \$510.00 in payment of the fee required by 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(3), is enclosed herewith.

While applicants believe that no additional fees are needed, the USPTO is authorized to charge or credit the undersigned Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Customer No. 30623, Reference No. 24356-002 CON, for any additional fees that are required. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,


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